

UNAPPROVED
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ISSUES
MEETING MINUTES OF
February 25, 2008

TIME The meeting convened at 6:05 P.M.

PRESENT Vice-Chair Moore, Commissioners Berger, Kirola, Longley-Cook, Robinson and Fort.

ABSENT Chair Lord-Hausman, Commissioners Hakanson and Kreitz.

MINUTES

The January 28, 2008 minutes were approved as presented.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

There was no written communication.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Alameda Landing (Andrew Thomas, Planning & Bldg. Dept.):

This item will be scheduled for a future meeting.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

There was no staff communication.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/NON-AGENDA ITEMS

1. Commissioner Berger stated that the AR&PD Spring 2008 Guide dedicates an entire page for information regarding paratransit/disability issues within the City of Alameda. Commissioner Berger suggested the Commission prepare a draft letter thanking Dale Lillard, AR&PD Director, for the excellent article that highlights accessibility resources in the City.
2. Commissioner Longley-Cook stated that she and Chair Lord-Hausman attended the Alameda Collaborative for Children, Youth & Families monthly February meeting. A presentation was made by Children Now, an organization that focuses on children's issues including health and

dental care, among others. They discussed the large need state-wide of providing dental care for pre-school children, for example. The website is www.childrennow.org and Commissioner Longley-Cook stated that she will bring the report to the next meeting.

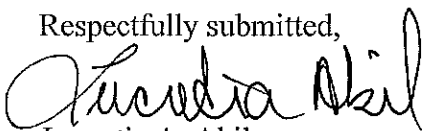
Commissioner Berger requested that the Commission send a letter to Alameda County Dental Association for local and state support. Secretary Akil stated they could draft a letter for Council consideration to send the letter to the County or, as individuals, send a letter in support of children dental care issues.

3. Commissioner Longley-Cook stated that a PTA Council representative indicated she wanted to attend the Commission meeting to discuss wording for a proposed education parcel tax. The suggested wording was to look at providing an exemption for seniors and the disabled.
4. Commissioner Fort inquired about audible pedestrian signals at Lincoln and Willow. Secretary Akil responded that intersection may have four-way stop signs.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 P.M. The next scheduled meeting is Monday, March 24, 2008, at 6:30 P.M. in Room 360 at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Lucretia A. Akil
Commission Secretary